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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

JOHN BRITTON, Individually and on  
behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

POLESTAR AUTOMOTIVE  
HOLDING UK PLC, THOMAS  
INGENLATH, JOHAN MALMQVIST,  
and PER ANSGAR,

Defendants.

**Case No:**

**CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT  
FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE  
FEDERAL SECURITIES LAWS**

**JURY TRIAL DEMANDED**

Plaintiff John Britton (“Plaintiff”), individually and on behalf of all other persons similarly situated, by Plaintiff’s undersigned attorneys, for Plaintiff’s complaint against Defendants (defined below), alleges the following based upon personal knowledge as to Plaintiff and Plaintiff’s own acts, and information and belief as to all other matters, based upon, *inter alia*, the investigation conducted by and through her attorneys, which included, among other things, a review of the Defendants’ public documents, and announcements made by Defendants, public filings, wire and press releases published by and regarding Polestar Automotive Holding UK PLC (“Polestar” or the “Company”), and information readily obtainable on the Internet. Plaintiff believes that substantial evidentiary support will exist for the allegations set forth herein after a reasonable opportunity for discovery.

### **NATURE OF THE ACTION**

1. This is a class action on behalf of persons or entities who purchased or otherwise acquired publicly traded securities between November 14, 2022 and January 16, 2025, both dates inclusive (the “Class Period”). Plaintiff seeks to recover compensable damages caused by Defendants’ violations of the federal securities laws under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”).

## **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

2. The claims asserted herein arise under and pursuant to Sections 10(b) and 20(a) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. §§ 78j(b) and 78t(a)) and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder by the SEC (17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5).

3. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, and Section 27 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. §78aa).

4. Venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) and Section 27 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. § 78aa(c)) as the alleged misstatements entered and the subsequent damages took place in this judicial district.

5. In connection with the acts, conduct and other wrongs alleged in this complaint, Defendants, directly or indirectly, used the means and instrumentalities of interstate commerce, including but not limited to, the United States mails, interstate telephone communications and the facilities of the national securities exchange.

## **PARTIES**

6. Plaintiff, as set forth in the accompanying certification, incorporated by reference herein, purchased Polestar securities during the Class Period and was economically damaged thereby.

7. Polestar purports to be “the Swedish electric performance car brand with a focus on uncompromised design and innovation, and the ambition to accelerate the change towards a sustainable future.”

8. The Company is incorporated in England and Wales and has its principal place of business in Gothenburg, Sweden. Polestar Automotive USA Inc. is located at 777 MacArthur Blvd. Mahwah, NJ 07430.

9. Polestar’s Class A American Depositary Shares (“ADS” or “ADSs”) trade on the NASDAQ exchange under the ticker symbol “PSNY.”

10. Defendant Thomas Ingenlath (“Ingenlath”) served as the Company’s Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”) from the beginning of the Class Period until October 1, 2024.

11. Defendant Johan Malmqvist (“Malmqvist”) served as the Company’s Chief Financial Officer (“CFO”) since from the beginning of the Class Period until January 11, 2024.

12. Defendant Per Ansgar (“Ansgar”) has served as the Company’s CFO since January, 2024.

13. Defendants Ingenlath, Malmqvist, and Ansgar are collectively referred to herein as the “Individual Defendants.”

14. Each of the Individual Defendants:

(a) directly participated in the management of the Company;

- (b) was directly involved in the day-to-day operations of the Company at the highest levels;
- (c) was privy to confidential proprietary information concerning the Company and its business and operations;
- (d) was directly or indirectly involved in drafting, producing, reviewing and/or disseminating the false and misleading statements and information alleged herein;
- (e) was directly or indirectly involved in the oversight or implementation of the Company's internal controls;
- (f) was aware of or recklessly disregarded the fact that the false and misleading statements were being issued concerning the Company; and/or
- (g) approved or ratified these statements in violation of the federal securities laws.

15. The Company is liable for the acts of the Individual Defendants and its employees under the doctrine of *respondeat superior* and common law principles of agency because all of the wrongful acts complained of herein were carried out within the scope of their employment.

16. The scienter of the Individual Defendants and other employees and agents of the Company is similarly imputed to the Company under *respondeat superior* and agency principles.

17. The Company and the Individual Defendants are collectively referred to herein as “Defendants.”

### **SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS**

18. On November 14, 2022, before the market opened, the Company filed with the SEC a current report on Form 6-K signed by defendants Ingenlath and Malmqvist. Attached to this 6-K were the Company’s unaudited financial statements for the three months ended September 30, 2022 (the “3Q22 Unaudited Financial Results”), which were presented as the following:

The Polestar Group  
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Income and Comprehensive Income (Loss)  
(in thousands of U.S. dollars except per share data and unless otherwise stated)

Consolidated Statement of Income (Loss)	Note	For the three months ended September 30,		For the nine months ended September 30,	
		2022	2021	2022	2021
Revenue	2	435,449	212,896	1,476,746	747,674
Cost of sales		(431,390)	(247,647)	(1,419,271)	(746,614)
<b>Gross profit (loss)</b>		<b>4,059</b>	<b>(34,751)</b>	<b>57,475</b>	<b>1,060</b>
Selling, general, and administrative expense		(178,643)	(199,290)	(625,424)	(478,144)
Research and development expense		(24,598)	(50,529)	(123,353)	(157,400)
Other operating income (expense), net		2,781	(8,291)	(17,961)	(23,060)
Listing expense	9	—	—	(372,318)	—
<b>Operating loss</b>		<b>(196,401)</b>	<b>(292,861)</b>	<b>(1,081,581)</b>	<b>(657,544)</b>
Finance income		711	9,606	1,485	24,801
Finance expense		(60,539)	(16,135)	(111,966)	(28,511)
Fair value change - Earn-out rights	9	546,961	—	965,668	—
Fair value change - Class C Shares	9	14,059	—	35,590	—
<b>Income (loss) before income taxes</b>		<b>304,791</b>	<b>(299,390)</b>	<b>(190,804)</b>	<b>(661,254)</b>
Income tax expense		(5,404)	(3,058)	(12,543)	(9,414)
<b>Net income (loss)</b>		<b>299,387</b>	<b>(302,448)</b>	<b>(203,347)</b>	<b>(670,668)</b>
<b>Net income (loss) per share (in U.S. dollars)</b>	4				
Basic		0.14	(1.30)	(0.22)	(2.94)
Diluted		0.14	(1.30)	(0.22)	(2.94)
<b>Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income (Loss)</b>					
<b>Net income (loss)</b>		<b>299,387</b>	<b>(302,448)</b>	<b>(203,347)</b>	<b>(670,668)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income (loss):</b>					
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to the Consolidated Statement of Loss:					
Exchange rate differences from translation of foreign operations		4,688	(10,965)	15,347	(29,257)
<b>Total other comprehensive income (loss)</b>		<b>4,688</b>	<b>(10,965)</b>	<b>15,347</b>	<b>(29,257)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income (loss)</b>		<b>304,075</b>	<b>(313,413)</b>	<b>(188,000)</b>	<b>(699,925)</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

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The Polestar Group  
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position  
(in thousands of U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Note	September 30, 2022	December 31, 2021
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets and goodwill	5	1,299,877	1,368,356
Property, plant, and equipment		255,917	208,193
Vehicles under operating leases	3	88,973	120,626
Deferred tax asset		—	3,850
Other investments	10	2,185	—
Other non-current assets		2,211	1,682
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>1,649,163</b>	<b>1,702,707</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		988,259	756,677
Marketable securities		—	1,258
Trade receivables		102,117	157,753
Trade receivables - related parties	8	117,337	14,688
Accrued income - related parties	8	3,372	5,103
Inventories		686,572	545,743
Current tax assets		5,962	5,562
Other current assets		96,680	120,202
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>2,000,299</b>	<b>1,606,986</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>3,649,462</b>	<b>3,309,693</b>

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The Polestar Group			
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position			
(in thousands of U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)			
	Note	September 30, 2022	December 31, 2021
<b>Equity</b>	6		
Share capital		(21,090)	(1,865,909)
Other contributed capital		(3,581,360)	(35,231)
Foreign currency translation reserve		1,437	16,784
Accumulated deficit		3,464,333	1,761,860
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>(136,680)</b>	<b>(122,496)</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Contract liabilities	2	(36,283)	(28,922)
Deferred tax liabilities		(463)	(509)
Other non-current provisions		(66,738)	(38,711)
Other non-current liabilities		—	(11,764)
Earn-out liability	9, 10	(534,970)	—
Other non-current interest-bearing liabilities	3	(61,992)	(66,575)
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>(700,446)</b>	<b>(146,481)</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade payables		(65,235)	(114,296)
Trade payables - related parties	8	(817,780)	(1,427,678)
Accrued expenses - related parties	8	(171,540)	(315,756)
Advance payments from customers		(47,082)	(36,415)
Current provisions		(47,781)	(44,042)
Liabilities to credit institutions	7	(1,176,582)	(642,338)
Current tax liabilities		(5,222)	(13,089)
Interest-bearing current liabilities	3	(16,936)	(10,283)
Interest-bearing current liabilities - related parties	8	(8,986)	(13,789)
Contract liabilities	2	(45,621)	(58,368)
Class C Shares liability	9, 10	(27,500)	—
Other current liabilities		(314,604)	(364,662)
Other current liabilities - related parties	8	(67,467)	—
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>(2,812,336)</b>	<b>(3,040,716)</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>(3,512,782)</b>	<b>(3,187,197)</b>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>		<b>(3,649,462)</b>	<b>(3,309,693)</b>

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19. The financial statements in ¶ 18 were materially false and misleading at the time they were made because the Company underreported accrued liabilities and assets.

20. On April 14, 2023, the Company filed with the SEC its Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2022 (the “2022 Annual Report”). Attached to the 2022 Annual Report were signed certifications pursuant to the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (“SOX”) signed by Defendants Ingenlath and Malmqvist attesting to the accuracy of financial reporting, the disclosure of any material changes to the Company’s internal controls over financial reporting, and



the disclosure of all fraud.

21. The 2022 Annual Report disclosed internal control weaknesses as follows:

Polestar management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act) as of December 31, 2022. Based on that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures as of December 31, 2022 were not effective for the reasons set forth below. In connection with the audit of Polestar's financial statements as of the year ended December 31, 2022, management concluded that there were four material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2022: (i) The controlling department does not have a sufficient number of qualified personnel connecting operations and finance and the accounting function does not have fully formalized accounting processes or a sufficient number of personnel with technical accounting and SEC regulatory reporting expertise to perform reviews of financial reporting matters and other key controls, including performing timely reviews of work performed by external advisors. This caused a failure to design and maintain an effective control environment with the appropriate associated control activities; (ii) A lack of appropriate processes and controls to recognize revenue in accordance with IFRS 15; (iii) A lack of appropriate processes and controls to properly recognize intangible assets at period end in accordance with service agreements for upcoming car models; and (iv) Insufficient processes and controls over the existence, completeness and valuation of inventory.

22. The 2022 Annual Report stated that in 2022, management had completed the following remedial actions:

- designed and implemented internal control framework to cover entity level, business processes and information technology risks;
- strengthened finance function through the addition of accounting and financial compliance personnel and training; and
- designed and implemented controls to support appropriate revenue recognition.

23. The 2022 Annual Report in addition stated that the “current remediation plan includes the following”:

- continue hiring additional accounting and finance resources with appropriate technical accounting and reporting experience to execute key controls related to various financial reporting processes;
- continue to document, evaluate, remediate, and test internal controls over financial reporting, including those that operate at a sufficient level of precision and frequency or that evidence the performance of the control; and
- continue to assess information technology general controls and, as necessary, design and implement enhancements to such controls.

24. The statements in ¶¶ 21-23 were materially false and misleading because they underreported the Company’s internal control issues, considering that the 2022 Annual Report did not disclose material issues with accounting for the Company’s unique tooling, which resulted in an underreporting of assets and accrued liabilities.

25. The 2022 Annual Report contained the following financial statements:

Polestar Automotive Holding UK PLC  
Consolidated Statement of Loss and Comprehensive Loss  
(in thousands of U.S. dollars except per share data and unless otherwise stated)

<b>Consolidated Statement of Loss</b>		<b>For the year ended December 31,</b>			
		<b>Note</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
Revenue	4		2,461,896	1,337,181	610,245
Cost of sales	5		(2,342,453)	(1,336,321)	(553,724)
<b>Gross profit</b>			<b>119,443</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>56,521</b>
Selling, general and administrative expense	5		(864,598)	(714,724)	(314,926)
Research and development expense	5		(167,242)	(232,922)	(183,849)
Other operating income and expense	8		(1,565)	(48,053)	1,766
Listing expense	16		(372,318)	—	—
<b>Operating loss</b>			<b>(1,286,280)</b>	<b>(994,839)</b>	<b>(440,488)</b>
Finance income	9		8,552	32,970	3,199
Finance expense	9		(108,435)	(45,249)	(34,034)
Fair value change - Earn-out rights	16		902,068	—	—
Fair value change - Class C Shares	16		35,090	—	—
<b>Loss before income taxes</b>			<b>(449,005)</b>	<b>(1,007,118)</b>	<b>(471,323)</b>
Income tax expense	11		(16,784)	(336)	(13,535)
<b>Net loss</b>			<b>(465,789)</b>	<b>(1,007,454)</b>	<b>(484,858)</b>
<b>Net loss per share (in U.S. dollars)</b>	12				
Basic and diluted			(0.23)	(0.53)	(0.29)
<b>Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Loss</b>					
<b>Net loss</b>			<b>(465,789)</b>	<b>(1,007,454)</b>	<b>(484,858)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive income (loss):</b>					
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to the Consolidated Statement of Loss:					
Exchange rate differences from translation of foreign operations			4,519	(33,149)	30,266
<b>Total other comprehensive income (loss)</b>			<b>4,519</b>	<b>(33,149)</b>	<b>30,266</b>
<b>Total comprehensive loss</b>			<b>(461,270)</b>	<b>(1,040,603)</b>	<b>(454,592)</b>

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position (in thousands of U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)			
		As of the year ended December 31,	
	Note	2022	2021
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets and goodwill	13	1,396,477	1,368,356
Property, plant and equipment	10, 14	258,048	208,193
Vehicles under operating leases	10	92,198	120,626
Other non-current assets	15	5,306	1,682
Deferred tax asset	11	7,755	3,850
Other investments	15	2,333	—
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>1,762,117</b>	<b>1,702,707</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	15	973,877	756,677
Marketable securities	15	—	1,258
Trade receivables	17	246,107	157,753
Trade receivables - related parties	17, 25	74,996	14,688
Accrued income - related parties	25	49,060	5,103
Inventories	18	658,559	545,743
Current tax assets		7,184	5,562
Assets held for sale	26	63,224	—
Other current assets	19	107,327	120,202
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>2,180,334</b>	<b>1,606,986</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>3,942,451</b>	<b>3,309,693</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Share capital		(21,165)	(1,865,909)
Other contributed capital		(3,584,232)	(35,231)
Foreign currency translation reserve		12,265	16,784
Accumulated deficit		3,726,775	1,761,860
<b>Total equity</b>	20	<b>133,643</b>	<b>(122,496)</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Non-current contract liabilities	4	(50,252)	(28,922)
Deferred tax liabilities	11	(476)	(509)
Other non-current provisions	21	(73,985)	(38,711)
Other non-current liabilities	15	(14,753)	(11,764)
Earn-out liability	16	(598,570)	—
Other non-current interest-bearing liabilities	10, 15	(85,556)	(66,575)
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>(823,592)</b>	<b>(146,481)</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade payables	15	(98,458)	(114,296)
Trade payables - related parties	15, 25	(957,497)	(1,427,678)
Accrued expenses - related parties	25	(164,902)	(315,756)
Advance payments from customers	15	(46,869)	(36,415)
Current provisions	21	(74,907)	(44,042)
Liabilities to credit institutions	23	(1,328,752)	(642,338)
Current tax liabilities		(10,617)	(13,089)
Interest-bearing current liabilities	10, 15	(21,545)	(10,283)
Interest-bearing current liabilities - related parties	25	(16,690)	(13,789)
Current contract liabilities	4	(46,217)	(58,368)
Class C Shares liability	16	(28,000)	—
Other current liabilities	22	(393,790)	(364,662)
Other current liabilities - related parties	25	(70,258)	—
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>(3,252,502)</b>	<b>(3,040,716)</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>(4,076,094)</b>	<b>(3,187,197)</b>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>		<b>(3,942,451)</b>	<b>(3,309,693)</b>

Polestar Automotive Holding UK PLC  
Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows  
(in thousands of U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Note	For the year ended December 31,		
		2022	2021	2020
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>				
Net loss		(465,789)	(1,007,454)	(484,858)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash flows:				
Depreciation and amortization		158,392	239,164	216,077
Warranties		84,992	63,114	58,651
Inventory impairment		27,877	31,984	35,984
Finance income		(8,552)	(32,969)	(3,199)
Finance expense		108,435	45,249	34,034
Fair value change - Earn-out rights		(902,068)	—	—
Fair value change - Class C Shares		(35,090)	—	—
Listing expense		372,318	—	—
Income tax expense		16,784	336	13,535
Losses on disposals of assets		—	—	16
Other non-cash expense and income		18,997	11,560	14,048
Change in operating assets and liabilities:				
Inventories		(226,638)	(290,442)	(428,067)
Contract liabilities		13,373	70,220	17,071
Trade receivables, prepaid expenses and other assets		(220,118)	48,574	(268,004)
Trade payables, accrued expenses and other liabilities		52,801	519,676	764,661
Interest received		8,552	1,396	3,199
Interest paid		(68,130)	(12,564)	(30,198)
Taxes paid		(19,559)	—	—
<b>Cash used for operating activities:</b>		<b>(1,083,423)</b>	<b>(312,156)</b>	<b>(87,050)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>				
Additions to property, plant and equipment	14, 24	(32,269)	(24,701)	(49,599)
Additions to intangible assets	13, 24	(681,204)	(104,971)	(194,108)
Additions to other investments		(2,500)	—	—
<b>Cash used for investing activities:</b>		<b>(715,973)</b>	<b>(129,672)</b>	<b>(243,707)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities:</b>				
Change in restricted deposits		—	48,830	134,681
Proceeds from short-term borrowings		2,149,799	698,882	569,087
Principal repayments of short-term borrowings		(1,426,935)	(411,950)	(780,167)
Principal repayments of lease liabilities		(18,905)	(8,578)	(2,298)
Proceeds from the issuance of share capital and other contributed capital		1,417,973	582,388	438,340
Transaction costs		(38,903)	—	—
<b>Cash provided by financing activities:</b>		<b>2,083,029</b>	<b>909,572</b>	<b>359,643</b>
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(66,433)	(27,491)	21,340
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>217,200</b>	<b>440,253</b>	<b>80,226</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period</b>		<b>756,677</b>	<b>316,424</b>	<b>236,198</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period</b>		<b>973,877</b>	<b>756,677</b>	<b>316,424</b>

Polestar Automotive Holding UK PLC  
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity  
(in thousands of U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)

	Note	Share capital	Other contributed capital	Currency translation reserve	Accumulated deficit	Total
Balance as of January 1, 2020	20	—	879,232	(13,901)	(274,169)	591,162
Net loss		—	—	—	(484,858)	(484,858)
Other comprehensive income		—	—	30,266	—	30,266
<b>Total comprehensive loss</b>		—	—	<b>30,266</b>	<b>(484,858)</b>	<b>(454,592)</b>
Changes in the consolidated group	3	880,412	(879,232)	—	4,621	5,801
Issuance of new shares		438,340	—	—	—	438,340
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2020</b>		<b>1,318,762</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>16,365</b>	<b>(754,406)</b>	<b>580,711</b>
Net loss		—	—	—	(1,007,454)	(1,007,454)
Other comprehensive loss		—	—	(33,149)	—	(33,149)
<b>Total comprehensive loss</b>		—	—	<b>(33,149)</b>	<b>(1,007,454)</b>	<b>(1,040,603)</b>
Issuance of Convertible Notes		—	35,231	—	—	35,231
Issuance of new shares		547,157	—	—	—	547,157
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2021</b>		<b>1,865,909</b>	<b>35,231</b>	<b>(16,784)</b>	<b>(1,761,860)</b>	<b>122,496</b>
Net loss		—	—	—	(465,789)	(465,789)
Other comprehensive income		—	—	4,519	—	4,519
<b>Total comprehensive loss</b>		—	—	<b>4,519</b>	<b>(465,789)</b>	<b>(461,270)</b>
Merger with Gores Guggenheim Inc.	16	—	—	—	—	—
Changes in the consolidated group		(1,846,472)	1,846,472	—	1,512	1,512
Issuance of Volvo Cars Preference Shares		589	588,237	—	—	588,826
Issuance to Convertible Note holders		43	(43)	—	—	—
Issuance to PIPE investors		265	249,735	—	—	250,000
Issuance to GGH shareholders		822	521,285	—	—	522,107
Listing expense		—	372,318	—	—	372,318
Transaction costs		—	(38,903)	—	—	(38,903)
Earn-out rights		—	—	—	(1,500,638)	(1,500,638)
Equity-settled share-based payment	7	9	9,900	—	—	9,909
<b>Balance as of December 31, 2022</b>		<b>21,165</b>	<b>3,584,232</b>	<b>(12,265)</b>	<b>(3,726,775)</b>	<b>(133,643)</b>

(Emphasis added).

26. The financial statements in ¶ 25 were materially false and misleading

at the time they were made because the Company underreported accrued liabilities and assets.

27. On August 14, 2024, the Company filed with the SEC its Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2023 (the “2023 Annual Report”). Attached to the 2023 Annual Report were signed certifications pursuant SOX signed by Defendants Ingenlath and Ansgar attesting to the accuracy of financial reporting, the disclosure of any material changes to the Company’s internal controls over financial reporting, and the disclosure of all fraud.

28. The 2023 Annual Report contained certain restated figures for 2022, but still contained materially false financial information because of, among other things, underreporting assets and accrued liabilities relating to the Company’s unique tooling.

29. The 2023 Annual Report disclosed internal control weaknesses, but underreported the issue, considering that it did not disclose material issues with accounting for the Company’s unique tooling, which resulted in an underreporting of assets and accrued liabilities.

30. The 2023 Annual Report included the following financial statements:

Polestar Automotive Holding UK PLC  
Consolidated Statement of Loss and Comprehensive Loss  
(in thousands of U.S. dollars except per share data and unless otherwise stated)

Consolidated Statement of Loss	Note	For the year ended December 31,		
		2023	2022 (Restated) <sup>1</sup>	2021 (Restated) <sup>1</sup>
Revenue	4	2,378,562	2,444,105	1,346,347
Cost of sales	6	(2,791,643)	(2,343,302)	(1,336,688)
<b>Gross (loss) profit</b>		<b>(413,081)</b>	<b>100,803</b>	<b>9,659</b>
Selling, general and administrative expense	6	(949,683)	(838,367)	(685,049)
Research and development expense	6	(158,406)	(174,916)	(234,019)
Other operating income (expense), net	9	41,204	(305)	(50,716)
Listing expense	18	—	(372,318)	—
<b>Operating loss</b>		<b>(1,479,966)</b>	<b>(1,285,103)</b>	<b>(960,125)</b>
Finance income	11	69,454	8,552	32,970
Finance expense	11	(213,321)	(108,402)	(45,218)
Fair value change - Earn-out rights	18	443,168	902,068	—
Fair value change - Class C Shares	18	22,000	35,090	—
Share of losses in associates	10	(43,304)	—	—
<b>Loss before income taxes</b>		<b>(1,201,969)</b>	<b>(447,795)</b>	<b>(972,373)</b>
Income tax benefit (expense)	13	7,138	(29,660)	3,075
<b>Net loss</b>		<b>(1,194,831)</b>	<b>(477,455)</b>	<b>(969,298)</b>
<b>Net loss per share (in U.S. dollars)</b>	14			
Class A - Basic and Diluted		(0.57)	(0.24)	(0.51)
Class B - Basic and Diluted		(0.57)	(0.24)	(0.51)
<b>Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Loss</b>				
<b>Net loss</b>		<b>(1,194,831)</b>	<b>(477,455)</b>	<b>(969,298)</b>
<b>Other comprehensive (loss) income:</b>				
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to the Consolidated Statement of Loss:				
Exchange rate differences from translation of foreign operations		(10,237)	180	(32,318)
<b>Total other comprehensive (loss) income</b>		<b>(10,237)</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>(32,318)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive loss</b>		<b>(1,205,068)</b>	<b>(477,275)</b>	<b>(1,001,616)</b>

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position  
(in thousands of U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)

	As of the year ended December 31,		
	Note	2023	2022
		(Restated) <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Intangible assets and goodwill	15	1,412,729	1,394,282
Property, plant and equipment	12, 16	316,867	275,954
Vehicles under operating leases	12	67,931	97,186
Other non-current assets	17	7,212	5,306
Deferred tax assets	13	43,041	11,287
Other investments	17	2,414	2,333
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>1,850,194</b>	<b>1,786,348</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	17	768,927	973,877
Trade receivables	19	126,205	239,578
Trade receivables - related parties	19, 27	61,026	79,225
Accrued income - related parties	27	152,605	49,060
Inventories	20	939,359	630,154
Current tax assets		9,270	7,184
Assets held for sale	28	—	56,001
Other current assets	21	204,142	112,983
Other current assets - related parties	27	9,576	—
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>2,271,110</b>	<b>2,148,062</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>4,121,304</b>	<b>3,934,410</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Share capital		(21,168)	(21,165)
Other contributed capital		(3,615,187)	(3,584,232)
Foreign currency translation reserve		26,010	15,773
Accumulated deficit		4,872,644	3,677,813
<b>Total equity</b>	22	<b>1,262,299</b>	<b>88,189</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Non-current contract liabilities	4	(63,063)	(49,018)
Deferred tax liabilities	13	(3,335)	(12,470)
Other non-current provisions	23	(104,681)	(75,362)
Other non-current liabilities	17	(73,149)	(27,859)
Earn-out liability	18	(155,402)	(598,570)
Other non-current interest-bearing liabilities	12, 17	(54,439)	(31,326)
Other non-current interest-bearing liabilities - related parties	27	(1,409,244)	(43,643)
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>(1,863,313)</b>	<b>(838,248)</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade payables	17	(92,441)	(97,418)
Trade payables - related parties	17, 27	(275,704)	(935,161)
Accrued expenses - related parties	27	(450,000)	(157,426)
Advance payments from customers	17	(16,415)	(35,717)
Current provisions	23	(94,887)	(72,849)
Liabilities to credit institutions	25	(2,023,582)	(1,326,388)
Current tax liabilities		(12,812)	(14,394)
Interest-bearing current liabilities	12, 17	(19,547)	(11,935)
Interest-bearing current liabilities - related parties	27	(68,332)	(26,618)
Current contract liabilities	4	(112,062)	(45,119)
Class C Shares liability	18	(6,000)	(28,000)
Other current liabilities	24	(347,902)	(364,264)
Other current liabilities - related parties	27	(606)	(69,062)
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>(3,520,290)</b>	<b>(3,184,351)</b>

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<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>(5,383,603)</b>	<b>(4,022,599)</b>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>	<b>(4,121,304)</b>	<b>(3,934,410)</b>

<sup>1</sup> - Refer to Note 31 - Restatement of prior period financial statements for reconciliations between originally reported and as revised annual amounts



Polestar Automotive Holding UK PLC  
Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows  
(in thousands of U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated)

		For the year ended December 31,		
	Note	2023	2022 (Restated) <sup>1</sup>	2021 (Restated) <sup>1</sup>
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>				
Net loss		(1,194,831)	(477,455)	(969,298)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash flows:				
Depreciation and amortization expense	6	115,010	142,991	217,841
Warranty provisions	23	65,543	91,283	57,480
Impairment of inventory	6, 20	134,877	14,830	30,782
Impairment of property, plant, and equipment, vehicles under operating leases, and intangible assets	6, 12, 15, 16	351,241	—	—
Finance income	11	(69,454)	(8,552)	(32,970)
Finance expense	11	213,321	108,402	45,218
Fair value change - Earn-out rights	18	(443,168)	(902,068)	—
Fair value change - Class C Shares	18	(22,000)	(35,090)	—
Listing expense	18	—	372,318	—
Income tax benefit (expense)	13	(7,138)	29,660	(3,075)
Share of losses in associates	10	43,304	—	—
Gain on sale of asset grouping	28	(16,334)	—	—
Loss on derecognition and disposal of property, plant, and equipment and intangible assets	15, 16	10,892	11,036	—
Litigation provisions	23	35,676	—	—
Other provisions	23	19,890	23,367	11,560
Unrealized exchange (loss) gain on trade payables		26,787	(26,672)	9,876
Other non-cash expense and income		(8,510)	11,266	—
Change in operating assets and liabilities:				
Inventories	20	(358,392)	(186,393)	(283,776)
Contract liabilities	4	77,424	21,629	59,074
Trade receivables, prepaid expenses, and other assets	21, 26	(151,634)	(222,691)	57,119
Trade payables, accrued expenses, and other liabilities	24, 26	(459,002)	21,981	496,782
Interest received		32,280	8,552	1,396
Interest paid		(220,147)	(68,130)	(12,564)
Taxes paid		(35,477)	(19,559)	—
<b>Cash used for operating activities</b>		<b>(1,859,842)</b>	<b>(1,089,295)</b>	<b>(314,555)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>				
Additions to property, plant, and equipment	16, 26	(137,400)	(32,269)	(24,701)
Additions to intangible assets	15, 26	(457,364)	(674,275)	(102,236)
Additions to other investments		—	(2,500)	—
Proceeds from sale of property, plant, and equipment	16	1,779	—	—
Proceeds from sale of asset grouping	28	153,586	—	—
<b>Cash used for investing activities</b>		<b>(439,399)</b>	<b>(709,044)</b>	<b>(126,937)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>				
Change in restricted deposits		(1,906)	—	48,830
Proceeds from short-term borrowings	25, 26, 27	3,262,831	2,149,799	698,882
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	26, 27	1,381,738	—	—
Proceeds from related party capital contribution	22, 27	25,565	—	—
Proceeds from issuance of share capital and other contributed capital	18, 22	—	1,417,973	582,388
Repayments of borrowings	25, 26, 27	(2,553,008)	(1,426,935)	(411,950)
Repayments of lease liabilities	12, 26	(21,916)	(19,448)	(8,913)

31. The financial statements in ¶ 30 were materially false and misleading at the time they were made because the Company underreported accrued liabilities and assets.

32. On August 29, 2024, Polestar filed with the SEC a current report on Form 6-K that was signed by Defendant Ansgar. This 6-K contained Polestar's Q2 2024 financial results.

33. The financial information included in the Form 6-K was materially false and misleading because of, among other things, under reported accrued liabilities.

34. The statements contained in ¶¶ 18, 21, 22, 23, 25, 28, 29, 30, and 33 were materially false and/or misleading because they misrepresented and failed to disclose the following adverse facts pertaining to the Company's business, operations and prospects, which were known to Defendants or recklessly disregarded by them. Specifically, Defendants made false and/or misleading statements and/or failed to disclose that: (1) Polestar's financial statements during the Class Period were materially misstated; (2) Polestar understated its internal control weaknesses; and (3) as a result, Defendants' statements about its business, operations, and prospects, were materially false and misleading and/or lacked a reasonable basis at all relevant times.

**THE TRUTH BEGINS TO EMERGE**

35. On January 16, 2025, before the market opened, Polestar filed a current report on Form 6-K with the SEC (the “Restatement Announcement”). The Restatement Announcement stated the following:

On January 14, 2025, the management of Polestar Automotive Holding UK PLC (the “Company”), in consultation with the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (the “Audit Committee”), concluded that the Company’s previously issued audited financial statements included within Annual Reports on Form 20-F for the years ended December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023 (the “Audited Affected Financials”) and the unaudited interim financial information included within Current Reports on Form 6-K for the quarterly periods ending on and falling between September 30, 2022 and June 30, 2024 (the “Unaudited Affected Financials” and together with the Audited Affected Financials, the “Affected Financials”) contain errors that warrant restatement of the Audited Affected Financials and the interim financial information for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2023, and June 30, 2024.

The primary reason for this restatement decision relates to balance sheet errors concerning the Company’s unique tooling (further explained below), *which have resulted in an underreporting of assets and accrued liabilities in matching amounts for the periods referenced above*. The correction of these balance sheet errors will have no impact on previously reported revenue, operating loss, net loss, adjusted EBITDA or net assets, nor do these corrections affect the Company’s underlying business operations, cash position, or liquidity.

As previously disclosed, the Company owns unique tooling which is used in the manufacturing of its vehicles. This unique tooling has previously been recognised as property plant and equipment once either the production standard part process test is conducted or production utilizing the unique vendor tools has occurred. *Management has determined that certain unique tooling should have instead been recognised as assets under construction (“AUC”) according to the progression of work, resulting in a material understatement of AUC and a corresponding understatement of accrued liabilities in the Affected Financials*. The reconsideration of AUC recognition will change the timing of recognising AUC but will not change the expected total amount of AUC recognised.

A reclassification of cash flows between operating and investing activities and other smaller errors that have been identified will also be corrected as part of this restatement process.

***As a result of the above noted accounting errors, the Audit Committee, based on the recommendation of, and after consultation with, the Company's management, have further concluded that the Affected Financials should no longer be relied upon,*** including the associated report of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm, Deloitte AB ("Deloitte"). Similarly, any quarterly results issued during the aforementioned periods, press releases, shareholder communications, investor presentations or other communications describing relevant portions of the Affected Financials should no longer be relied upon.

The Company is in the process of finalizing the restatement adjustments and evaluating the impact of the above accounting errors on its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting. The Company intends to restate the Audited Affected Financials in an amendment to its Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2023. Regarding the Unaudited Affected Financials, the Company intends to restate the interim financial information for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2023, and June 30, 2024, through an amendment to its Current Report on Form 6-K filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on September 30, 2024. Except as described in the preceding sentence, the Company does not expect to restate the quarterly Unaudited Affected Financials.

The conclusions of the Audit Committee and Company management described above have been discussed with Deloitte.

(Emphasis added).

36. On this news, the price of Class A Polestar ADSs declined by \$0.135 per ADS, or 11%, on higher-than-average volume, to close at \$1.0850 on January 16, 2025.

37. As a result of Defendants' wrongful acts and omissions, and the precipitous decline in the market value of the Company's securities, Plaintiff and other Class members have suffered significant losses and damages.

### **PLAINTIFF'S CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

38. Plaintiff brings this action as a class action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(a) and (b)(3) on behalf of a class consisting of all persons other than defendants who acquired Polestar securities publicly traded on the NASDAQ during the Class Period, and who were damaged thereby (the "Class"). Excluded from the Class are Defendants, the officers and directors of the Company, members of the Individual Defendants' immediate families and their legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns and any entity in which Defendants have or had a controlling interest.

39. The members of the Class are so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. Throughout the Class Period, Polestar securities were actively traded on the NASDAQ. While the exact number of Class members is unknown to Plaintiff at this time and can be ascertained only through appropriate discovery, Plaintiff believes that there are hundreds, if not thousands of members in the proposed Class.

40. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the members of the Class as all members of the Class are similarly affected by Defendants' wrongful conduct in violation of federal law that is complained of herein.

41. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the members of the Class and has retained counsel competent and experienced in class and securities litigation. Plaintiff has no interests antagonistic to or in conflict with those of the Class.

42. Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the Class and predominate over any questions solely affecting individual members of the Class. Among the questions of law and fact common to the Class are:

- whether the Exchange Act was violated by Defendants' acts as alleged herein;
- whether statements made by Defendants to the investing public during the Class Period misrepresented material facts about the business and financial condition of the Company;
- whether Defendants' public statements to the investing public during the Class Period omitted material facts necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;

- whether the Defendants caused the Company to issue false and misleading filings during the Class Period;
- whether Defendants acted knowingly or recklessly in issuing false filings;
- whether the prices of Polestar securities during the Class Period were artificially inflated because of the Defendants' conduct complained of herein; and
- whether the members of the Class have sustained damages and, if so, what is the proper measure of damages.

43. A class action is superior to all other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy since joinder of all members is impracticable. Furthermore, as the damages suffered by individual Class members may be relatively small, the expense and burden of individual litigation make it impossible for members of the Class to individually redress the wrongs done to them. There will be no difficulty in the management of this action as a class action.

44. Plaintiff will rely, in part, upon the presumption of reliance established by the fraud-on-the-market doctrine in that:

- Polestar securities met the requirements for listing, and were listed and actively traded on the NASDAQ, an efficient market;
- As a public issuer, the Company filed public reports;

- the Company communicated with public investors via established market communication mechanisms, including through the regular dissemination of press releases via major newswire services and through other wide-ranging public disclosures, such as communications with the financial press and other similar reporting services;
- the Company's securities were liquid and traded with moderate to heavy volume during the Class Period; and
- the Company was followed by a number of securities analysts employed by major brokerage firms who wrote reports that were widely distributed and publicly available.

45. Based on the foregoing, the market for the Company securities promptly digested current information regarding the Company from all publicly available sources and reflected such information in the prices of the common units, and Plaintiff and the members of the Class are entitled to a presumption of reliance upon the integrity of the market.

46. Alternatively, Plaintiff and the members of the Class are entitled to the presumption of reliance established by the Supreme Court in *Affiliated Ute Citizens of the State of Utah v. United States*, 406 U.S. 128 (1972), as Defendants omitted



material information in their Class Period statements in violation of a duty to disclose such information as detailed above.

**COUNT I**  
**For Violations of Section 10(b) And Rule 10b-5 Promulgated Thereunder**  
**Against All Defendants**

47. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained above as if fully set forth herein.

48. This Count is asserted against Defendants is based upon Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78j(b), and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder by the SEC.

49. During the Class Period, Defendants, individually and in concert, directly or indirectly, disseminated or approved the false statements specified above, which they knew or deliberately disregarded were misleading in that they contained misrepresentations and failed to disclose material facts necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

50. Defendants violated §10(b) of the 1934 Act and Rule 10b-5 in that they:

- employed devices, schemes and artifices to defraud;
- made untrue statements of material facts or omitted to state material facts necessary in order to make the statements made, in

light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or

- engaged in acts, practices and a course of business that operated as a fraud or deceit upon plaintiff and others similarly situated in connection with their purchases of the Company's securities during the Class Period.

51. Defendants acted with scienter in that they knew that the public documents and statements issued or disseminated in the name of the Company were materially false and misleading; knew that such statements or documents would be issued or disseminated to the investing public; and knowingly and substantially participated, or acquiesced in the issuance or dissemination of such statements or documents as primary violations of the securities laws. These defendants by virtue of their receipt of information reflecting the true facts of the Company, their control over, and/or receipt and/or modification of the Company's allegedly materially misleading statements, and/or their associations with the Company which made them privy to confidential proprietary information concerning the Company, participated in the fraudulent scheme alleged herein.

52. Individual Defendants, who are or were senior executives and/or directors of the Company, had actual knowledge of the material omissions and/or the falsity of the material statements set forth above, and intended to deceive

Plaintiff and the other members of the Class, or, in the alternative, acted with reckless disregard for the truth when they failed to ascertain and disclose the true facts in the statements made by them or other Polestar personnel to members of the investing public, including Plaintiff and the Class.

53. As a result of the foregoing, the market price of Polestar securities was artificially inflated during the Class Period. In ignorance of the falsity of Defendants' statements, Plaintiff and the other members of the Class relied on the statements described above and/or the integrity of the market price of Polestar securities during the Class Period in purchasing Polestar securities at prices that were artificially inflated as a result of Defendants' false and misleading statements.

54. Had Plaintiff and the other members of the Class been aware that the market price of Polestar securities had been artificially and falsely inflated by Defendants' misleading statements and by the material adverse information which Defendants did not disclose, they would not have purchased Company securities at the artificially inflated prices that they did, or at all.

55. As a result of the wrongful conduct alleged herein, Plaintiff and other members of the Class have suffered damages in an amount to be established at trial.

56. By reason of the foregoing, Defendants have violated Section 10(b) of the 1934 Act and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder and are liable to the plaintiff

and the other members of the Class for substantial damages which they suffered in connection with their purchase of Polestar securities during the Class Period.

**COUNT II**  
**Violations of Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act**  
**Against the Individual Defendants**

57. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation contained in the foregoing paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

58. During the Class Period, the Individual Defendants participated in the operation and management of the Company, and conducted and participated, directly and indirectly, in the conduct of the Company's business affairs. Because of their senior positions, they knew the adverse non-public information about the Company's business practices.

59. As officers of a public business, the Individual Defendants had a duty to disseminate accurate and truthful information with respect to the Company's financial condition and results of operations, and to correct promptly any public statements issued by the Company which had become materially false or misleading.

60. Because of their positions of control and authority as senior executives and/or directors, the Individual Defendants were able to, and did, control the contents of the various reports, press releases and public filings which the Company disseminated in the marketplace during the Class Period concerning the Company's

results of operations. Throughout the Class Period, the Individual Defendants exercised their power and authority to cause the Company to engage in the wrongful acts complained of herein. The Individual Defendants therefore, were “controlling persons” of the Company within the meaning of Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act. In this capacity, they participated in the unlawful conduct alleged which artificially inflated the market price of Company securities.

61. By reason of the above conduct, the Individual Defendants are liable pursuant to Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act for the violations committed by the Company.

### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

**WHEREFORE**, plaintiff, on behalf of himself and the Class, prays for judgment and relief as follows:

(a) declaring this action to be a proper class action, designating plaintiff as Lead Plaintiff and certifying plaintiff as a class representative under Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and designating plaintiff’s counsel as Lead Counsel;

(b) awarding damages in favor of plaintiff and the other Class members against all defendants, jointly and severally, together with interest thereon;

(c) awarding plaintiff and the Class reasonable costs and expenses incurred in this action, including counsel fees and expert fees; and

(d) awarding plaintiff and other members of the Class such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

**JURY TRIAL DEMANDED**

Plaintiff hereby demands a trial by jury.

Dated: January 30, 2025

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